

*News and notes from the City of Hayward about important doings, useful information and progress we're making in getting work done to improve day-to-day life in the City.*

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## Hayward Police Help Local Kids Halloween Costume Giveaway

Three hundred children and teens upgraded from spectator to participant in this year's Halloween festivities thanks to the Hayward Police Department and local retailers.



"Every single elementary school will have a Halloween parade, and we were sad to find out some kids will sit out because they don't have a costume," Lt. Dave Lundgren told the Daily Review. "We wanted to do something about it."

Lundgren and the 15-member night patrol squad took the initiative to coordinate this costume and goody giveaway to

local underprivileged kids. Local retailers donated costumes and goodies, including Spirit, Party City, Target, Costco and the American Licorice Company. The Hayward Police donated about \$900 through the Hayward Police Officers Association and by passing the hat around the station. All the costumes were distributed to kids at Hayward schools, including Burbank, Palma Ceia and Tyrrell elementary schools, and at the Family Emergency Shelter Coalition in Hayward.

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## Major Interchange Project Completed Easing Congestion

Improving air quality by reducing congestion, the SR 92/880 Interchange Project was completed October 7. The four-



year, \$245-million construction project resulted in the replacement of 60-year-old clover leaves with direct connectors that have improved travel through the interchange. Caltrans has received many positive comments from the public about the new configuration.

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Mayor Michael Sweeney commented that "the 92/880 Interchange Project represents a partnership between Caltrans and the City of Hayward, most notably the neighborhood Citizens Advisory Committee who helped steer the project and ensured that the interchange was constructed in a manner that met the goals of the project while minimizing the impact to City residents." He also added that, "the fact that this project was able to be constructed in such a fashion speaks to the impact that citizens can have on the transportation planning process."

Details about the completed project can be found at **i880corridor.com** or on the Metropolitan Transportation Commissions website: <http://1.usa.gov/p45KUJ>.



## How Can We Help?

Use [www.accesshayward.com](http://www.accesshayward.com) to find the information you need from the City, make a service request or ask a question. Your submittal will go directly to the staff member who can best help.

## In This Issue News from the City & the Work it is Doing

**Yup! We're on Twitter and Facebook, too!**



Just click to follow us on



Twitter and friend us on Facebook.

**Santa Paws Parade.**

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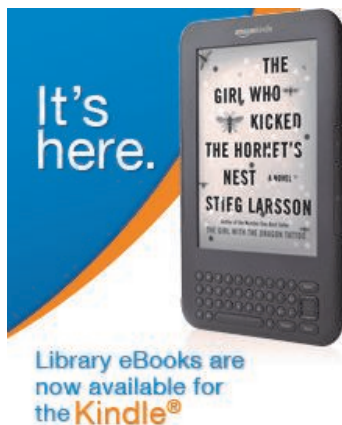
**This newsletter has links!** We've linked to as many resources as possible. Just click on the **dark green, bold text** to visit a page in your browser.

## Visit or Contact Us!

Call 583-4000 or on the Web at [www.hayward-ca.gov](http://www.hayward-ca.gov).

**City Hall**, at 777 B Street, is open Mon-Fri 8-5 with some City departments, like Revenue Division and Development Services, having modified hours.

**Hayward Library Branch** hours are Mon-Wed 11-8, Thurs-Sat 10-5 and closed Sun.



## City Council Meetings

The Council meets the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays at 7pm on the second floor of City Hall. To receive Council agendas via e-mail, contact the City Clerk at 583-4400 or [cityclerk@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@hayward-ca.gov).

## Coping with the New Normal From City Manager Fran David

The City has been grappling with a structural deficit for several years. When the City Council adopted the current budget, the City closed a \$20.6 million projected gap through \$16.4 million in expenditure reductions—some recurring, some one-time—and the use of General Fund reserves of \$4.2 million. Unfortunately, the City continues to face slow growth in revenues and increasing costs.

The current General Fund budget forecast reflects a significant structural deficit if no balancing measures are implemented. This on-going, structural gap widens as a result of the economy's effect on revenues; increasing costs; funding critical, deferred capital and maintenance needs; the loss of funding from a federal police grant; and commencement of funding of retiree healthcare. The key message is that the City must make long-term, structural change if the City is to continue in a fiscally-sound condition.

It is my goal during the upcoming budget process to develop and recommend a strategy designed to correct the structural budget deficit for the long-term fiscal health of the City. Top priorities for the Council and myself during the budget process will be to preserve services to the community to the extent feasible, identify solutions to the structural gap, and honor the sacrifices being made by our employees throughout this process.

The most recent City Council budget staff report is on the City's website: <http://bit.ly/vxyURK>. Information about the upcoming budget process will be put on the City Council's webpage: <http://bit.ly/sy5MTq>. As always, I welcome questions, comments, and concerns at any time.

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## Our Community Learning Center Education is the Key

At the Library, our goal is to deliver equal opportunity in education to every Hayward resident. This is because we believe that education is the key to a stronger, brighter future for any community. Whether it's through our early childhood education classes for young children and parents, afterschool homework help for students, literacy tutoring for adults who lack basic reading and writing proficiency, or English as Second Language training for non-native speakers of English, we place an emphasis on meeting the lifelong learning needs of every member of our diverse community. In this regard, the Library is truly the community's learning center.

Books will always be the heart and soul of the library, but our educational mission extends far beyond books—and even beyond the four walls of our buildings. Through new partnerships and innovative programs, we continuously strive to meet our community's changing educational needs.

For example, the City of Hayward opened a new afterschool homework center in September at Longwood Elementary School, in partnership with Hayward Unified School District. The new center provides customized one-to-one homework tutoring to students

with the help of trained volunteers. Over 200 students received homework assistance in its first week of operation.

Longwood Center is also the home of Hayward's first Public Library Book Vending Machine. It looks like a snack vending machine, but, instead of chips and candy, it's stocked with



Hayward Public Library books! The new homework center and book vending machine provide access to public library books and services where previously there was none.

Through partnership, innovation, technology, and the support of community volunteers like you, we can continue to build new educational opportunities and a brighter future for every Hayward resident—of every age. To learn more about how you can help, visit the City's website and its volunteering opportunities: <http://bit.ly/rCuR0>.

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## National Night Out Hayward Celebrates Together

This year's National Night Out was held on August 2, with over 1,500 residents attending twenty-five



block parties across Hayward. This annual event brings neighbors together to promote crime-prevention awareness. It also strengthens neighborhood spirit and sends a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

The event provides a unique opportunity for Hayward police and residents to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, crime-prevention efforts through police-community partnerships. The presence of Hayward police officers out in the community under the positive circumstances of National Night Out block

parties allows residents to meet their police officers one-on-one to talk and share concerns.

This year's block party celebrations included a Kick-Off Car-a-Van, where Hayward Neighborhood Alert groups conducted an 80-car caravan, including a parade of police and fire vehicles, antique cars, and personal vehicles. The Car-a-Van drove through Hayward streets, honking their horns to promote National Night Out across the City.

Join in the fun next year by hosting a block party or learning where an existing block party is. Details on the event can be found at <http://bit.ly/oubHvP>. Additional information on crime prevention can be found on Hayward Police Department's webpage at <http://bit.ly/nCJHOr>.

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## Food Funds Friends After-School Center

In June, the **Taste of Hayward** raised over **\$6,800** for the Friend's of the Hayward Public Library's After School Homework Support Center.



The event saw our best, local restaurants serving a crowd of **375** that silent-auctioned and raffled the evening away at City Hall. And in October, the first **Hayward Restaurant Walk** saw attendees sampling meals from 11 Downtown restaurants while raising over **\$2,700** for the Friends of the Library and Leadership Hayward. **Both events helped good causes here in Hayward!**

## Funds For Neighborhood Projects Build Community Spirit

Did you know that money is available to support neighborhood improvement activities? Neighborhood



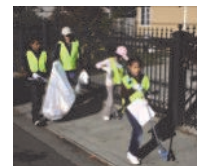
groups can apply for Neighborhood Partnership Program funds to improve the safety, appearance, and livability of neighborhoods and help build community

spirit. When funds are needed to start a project, a grant is available for up to \$5,000. If a neighborhood has already completed a project, financial awards are

available to support ongoing improvements.

The Glassbrook Neighborhood Clean Team recently received a grant to purchase bags, gloves, vests, and other equipment to assist with their neighborhood clean-up efforts. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/tE50Uw>

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## Water Conservation!

It starts with you! Learn more about saving money as well as reducing your impact and high-efficiency appliance rebates at the City's **Water Conservation webpage**.

## Important Hayward Contacts People & Services to Help You Get Things Done

**General City Info**, 583-4000

**Access Hayward**, [www.accesshayward.com](http://www.accesshayward.com)

Look up a topic, make a request, or report a problem

**Animal Services**, 293-7200

Adoption; Dog Licensing; Lost & Found Animals; Dead, Stray or Wild Animals

**Building Division**, 583-4140

Building Inspections, Permits, and City Codes; Residential Rental Inspection Program

**City Clerk**, 583-4400

Passports, Notary Public, Certificate of Residence, Requests for Records and Documents

**Community Preservation**, 583-4143

Problems on private property, such as trash, graffiti, weeds, or inoperable vehicles

**Fire Prevention**, 583-4900

Fire Permits, Inspections, Plan Review; Hazardous Materials; Fire Education

**Public Library**, 293-8685

Adults, Teens, and Kid programs; Community Outreach; Homework Help; Literacy Tutoring

**Maintenance Services**, 881-7745

Public right-of-way problems with graffiti, illegal dumping, street signs, or street trees

**Planning Division**, 583-4200

Planning Permits, Zoning Information, Planning Resources and Information

**Police**, General Information 293-7272

Emergency 9-1-1, Non-Emergency 293-7000

**Public Works**, 583-4700

Engineering and Transportation, Solid Waste and Recycling, Water and Sewer, Executive Airport

**Revenue Office**, 583-4600

Water Bills, Business License Taxes, Parking Tickets, Administrative Citations, Emergency Facilities Tax

## Emissions Reductions...



The City is going green!

We've recently replaced two gasoline vehicles with two **Nissan Leaf electric vehicles**, which have zero emissions and run entirely on electricity.

## A New Business Moves In!

Primus Power, a maker of utility-scale batteries, recently moved into **a new home in Hayward**. The young company recently raised \$11 million to develop batteries to **store power from the electric grid**. Hayward is an ideal location for Primus to grow and local growth of new **clean-tech and sustainable energy** is exciting for Hayward.

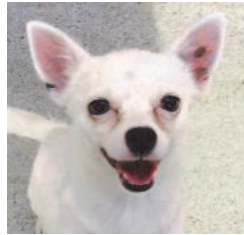
## Get a Free Tree!



The City is building it's urban forest by planting one of five different kinds of trees in the right-of-way for those who request it. For details, visit <http://bit.ly/sHOQPM> or call Landscape Maintenance at 583-8906.

## Volunteer at the Hayward Animal Shelter And Join Santa Paws Parade

Volunteers are vital at the Hayward Animal Shelter by helping us humanely care for and place nearly



4,000 animals that come through our shelter each year. Volunteering not only helps the animals by making their stay at the shelter more comfortable, but can help you lead a healthier

and happier life, too. According to the Centers for Disease Control, pets can decrease your blood pressure, cholesterol and triglyceride levels, and feelings of loneliness. Plus, it is a great way to make new friends!

There are many volunteer opportunities you can participate in at the Hayward Animal Shelter. Socializing animals, going for walks, adoption events, cleaning and fund raising: there is always something you can do to help the animals. For more details please stop by the shelter at 16 Barnes Court, call 293-7200, or just email us at



[animal.services@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:animal.services@hayward-ca.gov).

Finally, the Santa Paws Parade is coming December 3. It is a way you can get involved by raising funds for our shelter animals. The parade marches down B Street in Downtown and there is a competition for the best-dressed pets and best pet floats. It's more than just a stroll down the street. You can enter your pets for the parade and raise funds



from your friends and neighbors, too. It's the best event on four legs, and all fur a good paws! Full parade registration and fundraising details at [www.firstgiving.com/cityofhayward](http://www.firstgiving.com/cityofhayward).

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## A Neighborhood Improvement Complete A New Roundabout

In 2007, Fairway Park neighbors met with City officials to discuss the unsafe vehicular activities in the neighborhood—speeding, reckless driving, spinning donuts and running stop signs—and what could be done about it. The installation of roundabouts at



the wide Brae Burn intersection was one of the traffic calming solutions that the Fairway Park Task Force proposed. The City agreed to install barricades as a temporary measure to test the effectiveness of the roundabouts and if successful, permanent round-

abouts at a future date.

During the design of the permanent roundabouts, Public Works and Maintenance Services staff coordinated with representatives from the Fairway Park Neighborhood Association. The main purpose was to provide a design that would visibly enhance the intersection but still be cost effective with low construction and maintenance costs. After all the discussion and design work, the roundabout, trees, signage and striping were installed. The new roundabouts are a significant improvement to the temporary barricades, adding safety and beauty to the intersection.



*Maintenance Services Department, 881-7745*  
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## Youth Commission's New Members A Trip to Sacramento

The Hayward Youth Commission is made up from a diverse and enthusiastic pool of twenty-four students. Recently, the City Council welcomed six new members and three alternates this June. Hayward youth between the ages of 13 and 20 can apply. They advise the Mayor and City Council, and the elected boards of the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District and Hayward Unified School District about issues that affect young people in the Hayward community. Members may also work on a number of projects and activities throughout the year during their two-year term. This is a great opportunity for students to be active in their community and their participation looks great on college applications. More details are on the

City Clerk's webpage: <http://bit.ly/t8WjWI>.

One great learning opportunity happened in March when the Commission toured the State Capitol to learn about state government in action, meeting with Senate President Pro Tempore Darrell Steinberg, Assembly Member Mary Hayashi, and a political analyst from Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom's office and getting a political backstage pass.



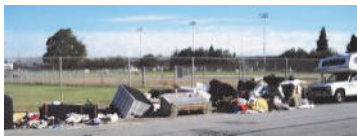
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### 2-1-1 INFORMATION

Dial 2-1-1 for Housing, Health, and Human Services Information. A free, non-emergency, confidential service, 2-1-1 provides easy access to **housing information, and critical health and human services**. It operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with multilingual capabilities. [211alamedacounty.org](http://211alamedacounty.org)

## Illegal Dumping Help by Reporting It When You See It

You know that illegal dumping is a crime. But, did you know it raises significant concerns, including risks to public health and safety, decline of property values,



reduced quality of life, and less pride in our City's appearance, too?

Over the past three years the City has seen an increase in the dumping of furniture, appliances, and trash on City streets and sidewalks. The origins of these materials are not clearly identifiable and catching the people dumping is difficult.

In order to clean up the City, community groups and the Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force have been assisting City staff in the removing these items from the City's right-of-way. You can help keep the City safe, clean, and green by reporting illegal dumping. If you observe someone dumping waste in the public right-of-way, please call the Hayward Police Department at 293-7000. You can also inform the City of illegally dumped waste by sending us the location and type of dumped materials via Access Hayward, our online commenting and request system.

Maintenance Services Department, 881-7745

### Hayward Homeowners! Energy-Efficiency Rebates

The City is working with Energy Upgrade California to offer up to **\$10,250 in incentives for Hayward homeowners** who increase the energy efficiency of their homes. Complete information about the incentives is available on the **City's website** or at [energyupgradeca.org](http://energyupgradeca.org).

## Outstanding Work Recognized Hayward Volunteers Shine

The annual Hayward Volunteer Recognition and Award Dinner—co-sponsored by County Supervisor Nadia Lockyer and the City—was held in October and recognized fifty-three individuals for their service to the City, contributing time and energy to benefit local humanitarian services, non-profits, and other programs in Hayward.

The two big awards of the evening, the Gail Steele Lifetime Achievement Award and the John N. Pappas Humanitarian Award, went to Evelyn Cormier and Michael Mahoney. Evelyn has long been active in Hayward land use issues. Michael was recognized, in part, for his involvement with the Silva Pediatric Medical



and Dental Clinic, which provides healthcare access for thousands of Hayward kids.

They and all the other volunteers were recognized for taking a little bit of time to help make Hayward a much better place. As always, details on how you can make a difference are on the City's volunteer opportunities section of its website: <http://bit.ly/rRCuRO>

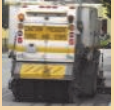
### Any unused or expired medication laying around?



If you have old medications, **don't flush them down the**

**drain.** They'll end up in the Bay and do harm! Instead, dispose of them at **Ted's Drug Store** at 27453 Hesperian Blvd or the **Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Facility** at 2091 West Winton. Info at [www.earth911.com](http://www.earth911.com).

## Keeping Streets Clean Will Keep Bay Clean!



If it goes down the storm drain, it goes into the Bay! Check **your**

**street's sweeping schedule** using our handy, online look-up map. Help us keep the streets clean and storm drains clear by moving your vehicle during scheduled street sweeping days.

## The Hayward Public Library Has a BAZILLION Events, Classes & Readings!

Check out the Hayward Library's offerings for everyone—kids, youths and adult—at the **Library's website** or call 881-7945. There is **something for everyone!**

## Help Stop Illegal Dumping



Illegal dumping poses a health and safety danger, reduces

quality of life, and lowers Hayward property values.

**Help make Hayward a safe, clean, and green community.**

Any time you see someone dumping waste in the public right of way, **report it to the Police Department at 293-7000.**

## Two New Murals Go Up Downtown And an Award, Too

Two new murals have been completed with help from the Hayward Public Art Mural Program. Local Hayward artist and school teacher, Andrew Kong Knight created and executed the mural's Hayward-meets-Hollywood theme over the span of a year. Both murals are on the City's parking structure next to the Century Theaters building at Foothill Boulevard and C Street in Downtown



Hayward. You've seen them if you have driven down Foothill recently or been up C Street from the Library. If not, look for them!

In addition to cleaning up graffiti and brightening the urban landscape, the Public Art Mural Program recently won an award from the California League of

Cities, the Helen Putnam Award. What started as an anti-graffiti tool for public and private properties has resulted in beautiful works of art, a reduction in graffiti, and clear cost savings for property owners and the

City—the award is recognition of the program's accomplishments.

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## Tennyson Gardens Grand Re-Opening Affordable Housing Renovation

In August, the City's elected officials and staff celebrated the grand opening of Tennyson Gardens, a



96-unit affordable, rental-housing complex. The event was held in conjunction

with National Night Out, an evening highlighting crime- and drug-prevention awareness and promoting police-neighborhood partnerships. Eden Housing, a provider of low-income and senior housing, completed this affordable housing renovation through the use of mul-

tipple funding sources, including a \$1.5 million loan



from the City and a City-sponsored bond re-issuance.

The funds were used to

enhance the safety of the residents by making repairs and improvements to the building.

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## Route 238 Corridor Update Work Continues on Schedule

### Route 238 Corridor Update



Work on the 238 Corridor Improvement Project is progressing according to schedule, with completion expected in spring 2013. In early October, demolition began along the south side of D Street to widen the road between Watkins Street and Foothill Boulevard. Along Mission Boulevard, median island curbs, sidewalks, streetlight and traffic signal foundations, and new water mains are being completed by City contractors.



Additionally, recent improvements on Foothill Boulevard, north of

Maple Court include new curbs, gutters, sidewalks, streetlights, and traffic signal poles. Next, the existing



median along Foothill Blvd., between D and Russell St. will be moved to allow for shifting traffic to the center of the road, in preparation for sidewalk reconstruction in that area early next year.

Full project details and updates are always available on the City's website: [hayward-ca.gov/route238](http://hayward-ca.gov/route238).

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## Shopping in Hayward is Supporting Hayward

The first **150 shoppers** who spend at least **\$150** dollars at Hayward retailers or restaurants on December 17 and 18, and present their receipts on December 19 will receive a **free gift bag with valuable coupons** as a thank you for helping to support local businesses and fund City services. Check out [www.haywardopenforbusiness.org](http://www.haywardopenforbusiness.org) for complete details.

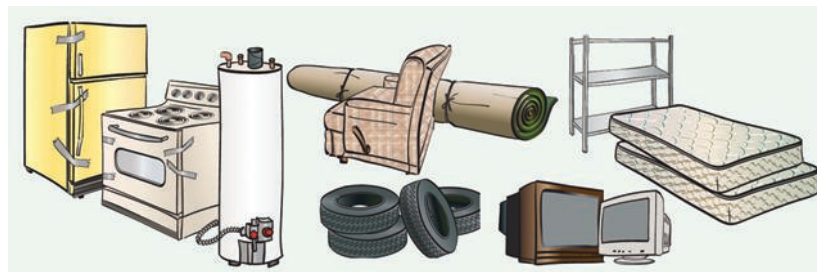


## Got Trash? Schedule a Bulky-Trash Pick-Up

If you have let trash pile up at home, now is the time to get rid of it! Eligible households may schedule one bulky-trash pick-up each calendar year at no extra charge. Single-family homes, duplexes, triplexes and fourplexes are all eligible for removal of specific bulky items. You can even schedule a separate appointment

ances or other scrap metal items, 2 mattresses, 4 car tires, and 2 electronic items such as televisions, computers, monitors, computer printers, DVDs or VCRs.

Contact Waste Management of Alameda County at 537-5500 or visit them on the web at [www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com) to schedule a bulky-trash pick-up appointment and for



information about preparing the items for pickup. More information on acceptable pick-up items is included in the **Annual Clean-up Days Service Guide** available on the City's website at <http://bit.ly/ukogut>.

once each calendar year to remove e-waste. Items accepted include: 2 cubic yards of trash, 3 pieces of household furniture or rolled carpet, 3 large appli-

Public Works Department, 583-4700

## The City of Hayward is Open for Business!

[haywardopenforbusiness.org](http://haywardopenforbusiness.org) is the City's economic development website to help you find out about **how to do business in Hayward**. With information on the business climate, commercial space availability, and many other resources, it's the first place to consider when doing business in the City.

**Access Hayward**, The City of Hayward's info, reporting and comment service, is always available:

**WWW.ACCESSHAYWARD.COM**

## UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

*Every Saturday*

### Farmers Market

City Hall Plaza from 9am to 1pm

*November 2, 9, 16 and 30*

### Teen Activity Zone

Main Library from 1 to 3pm

*November 7*

### Eldridge Neighborhood Meeting #1

26825 Eldridge Avenue

*November 7*

### Lawyer in the Library: Legal Advice

Main Library from 6 to 7:45pm

*November 11*

### Veterans Day

City Offices Closed

*November 12 and 19*

### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Hayward Farmer's Market from 9am to 1pm

*November 16*

### Lawyer in the Library: Legal Advice

Weekes Branch Library from 6 to 7:45pm

*November 19*

### Keep Hayward Clean & Green Monthly Clean-Up

Schafer Park Neighborhood at 9am

*November 21 through 25*

### Thanksgiving Holiday and Furlough

City Offices Closed

*December 1*

### Light Up The Season

City Hall at 5pm

*December 3*

### Santa Paws Parade

Foothill & B Street, Registration begins at 9am

*December 23 through January 1*

### Winter Holidays and Furlough

City Offices Closed

More info & meetings at  
**WWW.HAYWARD-CA.GOV**



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## Sprucing-Up Foreclosures Helping Our Neighborhoods

The City of Hayward has partnered with Habitat for Humanity to implement an important program to rehabilitate foreclosed properties in Hayward. In August, Habitat for Humanity held a dedication of a rehabilitated home on Havana Avenue. The home was acquired using grant funds, rehabilitated in part with work from volunteers, and then sold to a first-time homebuyer. The rehabilitation was also made possible by donations of cash and materials raised by Habitat for Humanity. In addition, the family contributed 500 hours of sweat equity during the rehabilitation of the home.



With approximately \$3 million in grant funding, the City of Hayward will be able to acquire, rehabilitate, and sell up to 20 foreclosed or blighted homes to low- and moderate-income households. Grant funds were awarded to the City by the Federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program, through California's Department of Housing and Community Development.

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## Small Business Loans Get Help to Grow in Hayward

Did you know that the City of Hayward provides loans to qualified Hayward businesses? The small-business loans enable businesses to create job opportunities, particularly for low and moderate-income workers. Loan funds may be used for equipment acquisition, expansion purposes, working capital, and real estate acquisition for owner-occupant businesses.

If your business is located in Hayward and has been in operation for at least two

years with a sound credit history, you might be eligible. Retail or commercial operations that can offer job opportunities for low- and moderate-income job seekers, and that can match every dollar of a City loan with two dollars of private loans or equity should consider the loan and contact the City for more details or visit <http://bit.ly/s890R0>.

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## Subscribe to Hayward Highlights It's Easy and Free

**Hayward Highlights**, is the City's quarterly newsletter that lets you know about important doings, useful information, and progress we're making in getting work done to improve day-to-day life in the City. We'll cover a variety of topics that we think you'll find informative, useful, and present opportunities to get involved directly. Whether through Clean-Up Days, Community Emergency Response Team training, or the Neighborhood Partnership Program, there are plenty of ways you can work with your neighbors to help make Hayward cleaner, safer, and better.

If you'd like to receive it in the future, just visit the **Newsletter's webpage** on the City's website to sign up to receive it via email or download it directly. Additionally, you can give us feedback on anything you read by contacting the author of a piece or write us at [HaywardHighlights@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:HaywardHighlights@hayward-ca.gov). Finally, **Access Hayward** is a great place to ask questions, request information, or report problems. Let us know how we can help.